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## LEA SERVICE AWARD

*Debbie Jennings*

**For service to Lutheran education  
1992 – 2023**

The Lutheran Church of Australia thankfully acknowledges the faithful and committed service of Debbie Jennings to Lutheran education for 31 years.

Debbie stands as the most enduring member of the St Paul's Kindergarten team, exemplifying unwavering dedication and embodying Christian values in every facet of her role as an educator. Throughout her tenure, she has cultivated meaningful relationships, imparting her deeply rooted Christian values to all those she encounters.

Her exceptional ability to communicate with children has not only empowered them to shine during their kindergarten journey but has also left a lasting impact that extends beyond this foundational stage of education. In navigating the dynamic landscape of early childhood education, Debbie has consistently advocated for the well-being and priorities of children, demonstrating her adaptability in an ever-changing sector.

As a stalwart and dedicated staff member, Debbie's contributions to the success of the kindergarten are immeasurable. Her service has been nothing short of inspiring, symbolising the epitome of excellence in early childhood education. St Paul's is profoundly blessed by her tenure, and the community expresses deep gratitude for her genuine collegiality, thoughtful approach as an educator, and profound love for the young minds she has guided toward school readiness.

St Paul's Kindergarten extends heartfelt thanks to Debbie for the warmth she shared while caring, guiding, and inspiring all within its community. As Debbie embarks on a well-deserved retirement, she leaves behind an incomparable legacy at St Paul's Lutheran Kindergarten, a testament to her enduring impact on the institution and the lives she has touched.

Debbie's faithful and conscientious service to her Lord and the Lutheran Church of Australia, through her service in Lutheran education, has been outstanding and is humbly recognised through this award.

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